

Basics

- The differences between **OOP** and **OBP** language are:

Object Oriented Programming	Object Based Programming
It follows the concept of OOP.	It doesn't follow the concept of OOP.
It doesn't have inbuilt objects.	It has the inbuilt objects.

- If we **don't** add the **static** modifier in the main method signature, the compilation of the program will go through without any issues, but while executing it, a **NoSuchMethodError** will be thrown.
- Definition:** A friend function is a function that is defined outside the class, but has the **right** to access all **private** and **protected** data members of the class.
- Definition:** A syntax is defined as the set of rules, according to which, a Java program is written and interpreted.
- The differences between **POP** and **OOP** are:

Procedure Oriented Programming	Object Oriented Programming
Here the program is divided into smaller parts known as procedures of functions .	Here the program is divided into smaller parts known as objects .
The programming language which follows this concept is called Procedure Oriented Programming Language (POPL).	The programming language which follows this concept is called Object Oriented Programming Language (OOPL).
Ex: C, COBOL, FORTRAN, etc.	Ex: C++, C#, Java, etc.

- Definition:** In Java, function prototyping is defined as a declaration of a function that specifies the function's name and type signature with data types and parameters, but omits the functions body or definition. Ex: int add(int a);

Inheritance

- Definition:** Inheritance is defined as the process in which objects of one class acquire the properties of objects of another class.
- Subclass refers to its **immediate** superclass by using **super** keyword.
- Uses of super keyword:**
 - To call superclass constructors: **super(parameter-list);**
 - To overcome name hiding: **super.member;**

- In both of the above uses, the **super** keyword must always be the **first statement** to be executed inside a subclass constructor.
- **Definition:** A constructor in Java is a special method used for initializing the objects. The constructor is called when an object of a class is created.
- Constructor overriding is **never possible** in Java.
- The differences between a **Method** and a **Constructor** are:

Method	Constructor
Methods should have a return type.	Constructors don't have any return type.
They are used for exposing the behavior of an object.	They are used for initializing the state of an object.
These can be executed multiple times on an object.	These will get executed only once per object.
They are inherited by the subclass.	They are not inherited by the subclass.
Invoked implicitly by the system .	Invoked explicitly by the programmer .

- **Definition:** Constructor Chaining is the process in which one constructor calls another constructor w.r.t the current object. It occurs through inheritance. In Java, it's achieved in 2 ways:

- Within same class
 - It can be done using **this()** keyword to call constructors of the same class.
- From base class
 - It can be done using the **super()** keyword to call constructors of the base class.

Polymorphism

- Polymorphism is implemented either using **late binding** or **dynamic binding (runtime binding)**.
- It's implemented in **two ways**:

Overloading	Overriding
It occurs when methods have the same method name with different lists of arguments and parameters.	It occurs when methods have the same method name with the same list of arguments and parameters.

Occurs within the same class .	Occurs within both subclass as well as superclass .
It's the example of compile time polymorphism	It's the example of runtime polymorphism

- A subclass can implement its own behavior using method **overriding**.
- A subclass includes all of the members (**default, public, protected**) of its superclass except **private** members.

N.B.

- **Superclass ref= new Superclass();**
 - This type of reference variable only has knowledge of the methods declared by that particular superclass itself.
- **Superclass ref= new Subclass();**
 - This type of reference variable only has knowledge of the methods declared by the superclass and not by the subclass.
- **Subclass ref= new Subclass();**
 - This type of reference variable only has knowledge of the methods declared by that particular subclass itself.

Dynamic Method Dispatch

- **Definition:** It's a mechanism in which a call to an **overridden** method is resolved at **runtime**, rather than compile time.
- When an overridden method is called through a superclass reference, the method to be executed will be based upon the type of the **object** being referred to at the time the call occurs & not the type of the **reference variable**.

Abstract Class & Methods

- **Definition:** A method that has been declared but not defined is an abstract method.
- A class that contains **one or more** abstract methods must also be declared abstract.
- An abstract class **can't** be instantiated, but a reference to an abstract class **can** be created.
- A class can be declared abstract even if it doesn't contain any abstract methods. This **prevents** the class from being **instantiated**.
- An abstract class **can** also have **concrete methods**.

- An abstract class **can be inherited**.
 - If the subclass **defines** all the inherited abstract methods, then it's called **complete** and hence can be instantiated.
 - If the subclass **doesn't define** all the inherited abstract methods, then it's called **incomplete** and hence must be declared abstract.

"Final" Keyword

- **Uses of final keyword:**
 - **To create a constant variable.**
 - Final variables must be initialised at the time of declaration.
 - **To prevent overriding.**
 - Final methods can't be overridden.
 - **To prevent inheritance.**
 - Final classes can't be inherited.
- Java resolves calls to **normal methods** at **run time** which is called **late binding**.
- Java resolves calls to **final methods** at **compile time** which is called **early binding**.

Object Class

- Object class is a **special** class defined by Java and is a **superclass of all other classes**.

Interface

- **Definition:** Interface is an abstract type that defines a standard and public way of specifying the behavior of a class.
- Interface specifies what a class must do, and not how it does it.
- A class can implement **any number** of interfaces.
- The **methods & variables** that are **declared** in an interface are **abstract & final** respectively **by default**.
- Variables can be **defined** in an interface, but **implicitly** they are final variables.
- A **concrete** class **must** implement an interface in order to define all the **abstract** methods of that interface.
- A class must be declared **abstract** if it **partially** implements the interface methods.
- An interface is always **preceded** either by **public** or by **default** access specifier.

- All the methods and variables declared within an interface are implicitly **public** if the interface itself is declared as **public**. Same will be the case for **default** access specifiers.
- The methods implementing an interface inside a class must be **preceded** with the keyword **public**.
- An interface **can't** be instantiated, but a reference to an interface **can** be created.

N.B.

- **Interface ref= new Class();**
 - This type of reference variable only has knowledge of the methods declared by the interface and not by the class implementing the interface.

- **Uses** of Interface:

- To reveal an object's programming interface.
- To have unrelated classes.
- To model multiple inheritance.

Package

- **Definition:** A package represents a directory that contains a related group of classes and interfaces.
- In a Java source file, an **import** statement occurs **immediately** following the **package** statement, if it exists, and before any **class** definition.
- There is **no practical limit** on the depth of a package hierarchy, except that is imposed by the file system.
- All of the standard Java classes included with Java are stored in a package called **java**.
- **java.lang** package is **implicitly** imported by the compiler for **all** programs.
- Class Member Access: (**Privacy** is the **Default** of **Protected Public**)

		Private	Default	Protected	Public
Same class		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Same Package	Subclass	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
	Non-subclass	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Different Package	Subclass	No	No	Yes	Yes

	Non-subclass	No	No	No	Yes
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N.B.

- The **public** members can be accessed everywhere.
- The **private** members can be accessed only inside the same class.
- The **protected** members are accessible to every child class (same or other package).
- The **default** members are accessible within the same package but not outside the package.

Exception

- **Definition:** An exception is an abnormal condition or situation that arises in a code sequence at runtime.
- An **exception** is also called a **runtime error**.
- When an exceptional condition arises, an object representing that exception is created and is thrown into the method that caused the error.
- Java exception handling is managed through **5** keywords:
 - The **try** statement allows us to define a block of code to be **tested for errors** while it's being executed.
 - The **catch** statement allows us to define a block of code to be executed **if an error occurs** in the try block.
 - The **throw** statement allows us to **create a custom error**.
 - The **throws** clause **indicates** the type of exceptions that a **method** might throw.
 - The **finally** statement allows us to execute code after **try...catch, regardless of the result**.
- Java's unchecked `RuntimeException` subclass is defined in the package `java.lang`.

Checked & Unchecked Exception

- The differences between **checked** and **unchecked** exception are:

Checked Exception	Unchecked Exception
These are also called compile-time exceptions.	These are also called runtime exceptions.
These are propagated using throws	These are propagated automatically .

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- List of some **unchecked exceptions** are:
 - ArithmeticException
 - NegativeArraySizeException
 - NullPointerException
 - ArrayIndexOutOfBoundsException
- List of some **checked exceptions** are:
 - ClassNotFoundException
 - IllegalAccessException
 - InterruptedException
 - InstantiationException

Chained Exception

- **Definition:** Chained Exception is a feature, which helps us to identify a situation where one exception creates another exception.
- The **initCause()** method **sets** the actual cause of an exception.
- The **getCause()** method **returns** the actual cause of an exception.
- The **initCause()** method can only be **accessed** using the **getCause()** method.
- If the **getCause()** method is called without the implementation of **initCause()** method, then the Java compiler will display **null**.

Static & Non-Static Methods

Static Method	Non-Static Method
<pre>class Main { static void demo() { System.out.print("Hello"); } public static void main(String args[]) { demo(); } }</pre>	<pre>class Main { static void demo() { System.out.print("Hello"); } void demo1() { System.out.print(" World"); } public static void main(String args[]) { Main ref=new Main(); ref.demo(); ref.demo1(); } }</pre>
Output: Hello	Output: Hello World

- The restrictions that are applied to the Java static methods are:
 - The static method **can't** use non-static data members or invoke non-static methods directly.
 - The **this** and **super** keywords **can't** be used in static members.
 - The static method can access **only** static type data.
 - A static method **can't** be **overridden** in a subclass.

Multi-Threading

- **Definition:** In Java, multi-threading is a feature that allows concurrent execution of 2 or more parts of a program for maximum utilisation of CPU. Each part of such a program is called thread.
- Multi-threading is a **specialized form** of **multitasking**.
- Multitasking is of **2** types:
 - **Process based** multitasking is the feature that allows our computer to run multiple programs simultaneously.
 - **Thread based** multitasking is the feature that allows our computer programs to run multiple sub-processes or tasks simultaneously.
- **Definition:** A **program** is the smallest unit of code that can be dispatched by the scheduler.
- **Definition:** A **thread** is the smallest unit of dispatchable code or a lightweight sub-process.
- The differences between **process** and **thread** are:

Process	Thread
These are heavy-weight tasks and require their own separate address space.	These are light-weight tasks and cooperatively share the same address space.
Inter-process communication is expensive and limited .	Inter-process communication is inexpensive .
Context switching from one process to another is costly .	Context switching from one thread to another is cheap .

- **Definition:** When **2 or more** threads need access to a **shared** resource, then they somehow need to figure out a way in order to ensure that the resource must be used by only **1 thread at a time**. So the process by which this is achieved is called **Synchronisation**.
- **Definition:** A **monitor** is an object that is used as a mutual exclusive lock or mutex.
- Only **one** thread can own a monitor at any given time.

- **Definition:** When 2 threads have a circular dependency on a pair of synchronised objects, then such a situation is called **Deadlock**.
- **Definition:** If 1 thread tries to **read** the data and another thread tries to **update** the **same** data at the **same** exact time, then it's known as the **read-write problem**.
- Read-write problems can be prevented by synchronising access to the data by using the keyword **synchronized**.
- **Producer-consumer** problem is also known as the **bounded-buffer** problem.
- Java supports **inter-thread communication** through **two** given methods, i.e. **wait()** and **notify()**.

Thread

- Threads can be created using **two** different mechanisms:
 - By **extending** the **Thread** class.
 - By **implementing** the **Runnable** interface.

Program

```

class A extends Thread
{
    public void run()
    {
        System.out.println("extends Thread");
    }
}
class B implements Runnable
{
    public void run()
    {
        System.out.println("implements Runnable");
    }
}
class Main
{
    public static void main(String args[])
    {
        A t=new A();
        t.start();

        Thread r=new Thread(new B());
        r.start();
    }
}

```

Output (Most Probable)	Output (Least Probable)
extends Thread implements Runnable	implements Runnable extends Thread

- The differences between **Thread** class and **Runnable** interface are:

Thread class	Runnable interface
Extending the Thread class gives developers the full control over the thread life cycle.	Implementing the Runnable interface doesn't give developers any control over the thread life cycle.
Extending the thread class doesn't allow the derived class to extend any other base classes.	Implementing the runnable interface allows the derived class to extend other base classes.

- Thread scheduler** moves the thread from **Ready** state to the **Runnable** state.
- In Java, all the **developer created** thread instances have the **same** priority.
- The life cycle of a thread is:
 - A thread that's just instantiated is in a **New** state.
 - A thread executing in the JVM is in **Runnable** state.
 - A thread waiting for a **monitor lock** is in a **Blocked** state.
 - A thread that's waiting **indefinitely** for another thread to perform a particular task is in a **Waiting** state.
 - A thread that's waiting for another thread **up to a specified breaking time** in order to perform a particular task is in a **Sleeping** state.
 - A thread that has completed its task is in **Terminated** state.
- The **isAlive()** method returns **true** only if the thread upon which it's called is **still running**. Otherwise, it returns **false**.
- The **join()** method **prevents** the next thread from **executing** until the current thread, upon which the **join()** method is called **completes** its **execution**.

Nested Class

- Definition:** A class written within another class is called **Nested Class**, i.e. an **Inner class** is called Nested Class.
- An Inner class can be declared with all access specifiers (**public, private, default, protected**), whereas an Outer class can only be declared either with the **public** or **default** access specifier.
- Types of Nested Class:
 - Static** nested class.

- **Non-static** nested class.
 - **Member** inner class.
 - **Method-Local** inner class.
 - **Anonymous** inner class.

- A static nested class **doesn't** have access to the **instance variables** and **methods** of the outer class.

Program

```
class Outer
{
    static class Inner
    {
        public void meth()
        {
            System.out.print("Hello");
        }
    }
    public void meth1()
    {
        System.out.print(" World");
    }
    public static void main(String args[])
    {
        Inner r=new Inner();
        r.meth();

        Outer r1=new Outer();
        r1.meth1();
    }
}
```

Output: Hello World

- Inner classes **can** be used as the **security mechanism** in Java.
- Once an inner class is declared as **private**, it **can't** be accessed **directly** through an object **outside** the class.
- Since the scope of a **method local inner class** is restricted within the method in which it's defined, hence such classes can be instantiated only within those methods only.
- An inner class declared **without** a class name is an **anonymous inner class**. Such classes can be **created** and **instantiated** at the **same** time.

- Anonymous inner classes are generally used whenever we need to **override** the **methods** of a class or an interface.

String

- Definition:** A string is a sequence of characters which are generally **immutable** once it's created.
- StringBuffer** classes are generally used for performing **changes** in original strings.
- String** and **StringBuffer** classes are pre-declared **final**.
- The differences between **StringBuffer** and **StringBuilder** are:

StringBuffer	StringBuilder
It's synchronized , i.e. it is thread safe .	It isn't synchronized , i.e. it isn't thread safe .
Here, two threads can't call the methods of the StringBuffer simultaneously .	Here, two threads can call the methods of the StringBuilder simultaneously .
It's less efficient than StringBuilder .	It's more efficient than StringBuffer .

String Tokenizer

- The **StringTokenizer** class allows an application to break a string into tokens.
- The **StringTokenizer** methods don't distinguish among identifiers, numbers, and quoted strings, nor do they recognize and skip comments.

Wrapper Class

- Definition:** The Wrapper class in Java provides the mechanism to convert **primitive** data type into **object** and **vice versa**.
- Definition:** The automatic conversion of primitive data type into its corresponding wrapper types is known as **autoboxing**.
- Definition:** The automatic conversion of wrapper types into its corresponding primitive data type is known as **unboxing**.

Java I/O

- The differences between **BufferedReader** class and **Scanner** class are:

BufferedReader Class	Scanner Class
It's synchronous.	It isn't synchronous.

This class uses multiple threads.	This class uses a single thread.
It has an 8 KB byte buffer.	It has 1 KB char buffer.
It's a bit faster as compared to the Scanner class.	It's a bit slower as compared to BufferedReader class.

- **Definition:** Stream is defined as a sequence of data.
- In BufferedReader class:
 - The **read()** method is used for reading a **character** from the console in **ASCII** format.
 - The **readLine()** method is used for reading a **string** from the console.

Applet

- **Definition:** Applets are small Java applications that can be accessed on an internet server, transported over the internet, and can be automatically installed and run as part of a web document.
- The Applet class **doesn't** have any **main** method.
- Any applet in Java is a class that extends from the **java.applet.Applet** class.
- The life cycle of an applet is:
 - The **init()** method is used to initialise the applet.
 - The **start()** method is used to execute the applet.
 - The **paint()** method is used to draw the output of the applet in a separate window.
 - The **stop()** method is used to stop the execution of the applet.
 - The **destroy()** method is used to remove the applet from the memory.
- The **init()** and **destroy()** methods execute only **once**, while the other methods execute **multiple** times.
- The **start()** method executes **immediately after** the **init()** method is invoked.
- The **stop()** method executes **just before** the **destroy()** method is invoked.
- The **paint()** method is in **Graphics** class, whereas, all other methods are in **Applet** class.
- The method execution sequence when an applet is:

Executed	Closed
init() → start() → paint()	stop() → destroy()

- Applet HTML tag:

```
<applet code="Main" width="100px" height="100px"></applet>
```

- **code** attribute specifies the name of the applet.
- **width** attribute specifies the width of the applet in pixels.
- **height** attribute specifies the height of the applet in pixels.

AWT & Swing

- **Definition:** AWT is an **Abstract Window Toolkit** that provides various component classes like label, button, text field, etc. to show window components on the screen.
- **Definition:** Swing is a part of JFC (**Java Foundation Classes**), built on the top of AWT, and written entirely in Java.
- The differences between **AWT** and **Swing** are:

AWT	Swing
The AWT component classes are provided by the java.awt package.	The Swing component classes are provided by javax.swing package.
It's platform dependent .	It's platform independent .
It's heavy weight.	It's lightweight .
Its appearance depends on the UI of the OS.	Its appearance doesn't depend on the UI of the OS.
It provides a smaller number of components.	It provides a larger number of components.
Needs a large amount of memory for execution.	Needs a small amount of memory for execution.
It's slower than Swing.	It's faster than AWT.

- The **java.awt** package contains the core **AWT graphics classes**.
- The **java.awt.event** package supports **event handling**.
- There are **two** types of GUI elements:

Component	Container
It represents an object with graphical representation.	It's a component that can contain other swing components.
Ex: Button, Label, Text Field, etc.	Ex: Frame & Panel.

- **Definition:** A frame is a top level container of an AWT program.

- **Definition:** A panel is a rectangular area used for grouping related GUI components in a certain layout.
- In a GUI program, a component must be kept in a container.
- Every UI has 3 main aspects:
 - UI elements.
 - Layouts.
 - Behaviours.
- **JComponent** is a **base class** for all swing UI components.